# SUMMER INTERNSHIP

**Natural Resource Management** 

# Piping Plover and Least Tern Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge

Work with refuge staff managing piping plover and least tern nesting areas (80%): includes monitoring piping plover/tern nesting activities, dawn and dusk chick watches, speaking to landowners and the public about plover protection, collecting data on brood locations, maintaining solar fencing, etc. Other occasional duties include: manual invasive plant removal, working in a native plant greenhouse, assisting visitors in our contact station, conducting wildlife surveys, assisting with salt marsh research, delivering outreach programs to refuge visitors.

Must be able to work under varied climatic conditions, including hot and insect infested environments. Must possess valid driver's license. Required to work most weekends and holidays. Must be able to walk long distances on beach.

Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge protects more than 5,600 acres of predominately coastal marsh in southern Maine. Refuge lands are rich in diverse habitats and wildlife. Annually, over 270,000 visitors participate in hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, photography, environmental education, and interpretation.

Internship is 12 weeks (40 hr/week) beginning May or June. Starting dates are negotiable.

**College credit available:** Arrange details with your university/college, and state your intention in your cover letter.

**Salary/Housing:** \$200/week living allowance for qualified applicants. Communal, co-ed government housing may be available or intern may provide own housing near Wells, ME.

## To Apply

#### Submit:

- (1) An updated résumé. All employers and references must include current telephone numbers.
- (2) Two references who can represent your academic and/or work experience.
- (3) Written statements addressing the five Qualifications and Requirements below.
- (4) Current college course transcript.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Address packet to: Internship Coordinator Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge 321 Port Road Wells, Maine 04090.

Applications must be postmarked by

#### February 17, 2017

### **Qualifications and Requirements:**

- 1. Knowledge of wildlife biology, ecology, and environmental education through course work and/or experience.
- 2. Ability to speak to the public about wildlife conservation and management in formal and informal settings and the ability to communicate effectively in writing.
- 3. Ability to identify Maine birds, particularly waterbirds and shorebirds.
- 4. Ability to work both independently and as a member of a team.
- 5. Ability to keep detailed, organized field notes and datasheets.

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